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**The Facts About AASIS**

LITTLE ROCK, AR—The Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System (AASIS) project is on-schedule. It is the foundation for the electronic government of the future in Arkansas. It is the first system of its type and scope to be implemented by any state government in the Nation. Arkansas is already getting inquiries from other states interested in doing the same thing. Arkansas is leading the country with the AASIS system.

The Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System will:

- Standardize, integrate and streamline the financial and administrative functions of Arkansas State government.
  - ❖ **The total number of participating agency bank accounts reduced from 402 to 66.**
- Automate many manual functions; distribute and reduce redundant data entry; simplify storage and processing; improve financial controls; and enhance the value and availability of information provided to State agency executives, the Governor, the Legislature, and the people of Arkansas.
  - ❖ **Reports and records will be available on demand, instead of waiting 24 hours or longer in some cases.**
- Employ electronic procurement to achieve efficiency with business and reduce or eliminate paper documentation.
  - ❖ **The purchasing process for participating agencies is streamlined. Purchasing data such as description, quantity, supplier, detailed specifications, etc. is entered into the system once at requisitioning and follow through to payment without any re-keying.**
- Have an impact on every State agency and all are involved in its implementation with the Department of Finance and Administration in the lead role.
  - ❖ **Federal Employer Identification Numbers for participating agencies will be reduced from 165 to only 1.**
- Implement a solution based on proven, state-of-the-art technologies that can migrate to technologies of tomorrow.
  - ❖ **This system has the ability to grow and easily upgrade.**
- Implement secure self-service web-enabled solutions whereby employees, retirees, and fiduciaries will eventually have direct access to necessary personnel, payroll, benefit, and retirement information, plus build a framework to enhance the public's access to information.
  - ❖ **AASIS will eventually be accessible through the Internet from anywhere in the world.**
- Bring Arkansas State agencies together for the good of all taxpayers and employees.
  - ❖ **All participating agencies use the same system, instead of each agency buying its own, plus those agencies can more easily share information.**

For more information on AASIS visit the DFA-AASIS website at [www.accessarkansas.org/dfa](http://www.accessarkansas.org/dfa).